

HARALSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 5, 2015

The regular meeting of the Haralson County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Allen Poole. The Invocation was offered by Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Poole noted for the record that all commissioners were present.

Chairman Poole stated the minutes of the previous meeting were sent out for the board to review prior to this meeting. There were no changes to be made. Commissioner Dobbs motioned to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2015 meeting as written. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Bennett seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Poole reported on several items. First, he stated the HB 170, the Transportation bill had passed the legislature. He went on to state that he had attended the signing of the bill by Governor Deal. He reported that the Boot Camp Renovation and the Recreation project were moving forward and the citizens would soon see work beginning at both locations.

Commissioner Bennett asked that everyone remember the families of the three young people who had been killed in accidents the previous weekend and to keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Item #1 – Foster Parent Proclamation.

Commissioner Bennett read and presented the Foster Parent Proclamation to Robin Forster of the Haralson County DFACS office. Ms. Forster spoke about the desperate need of foster homes in Haralson County. She also spoke of others ways for citizens to help these children. Commissioner Smith motioned to approve the Foster Parent Proclamation. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #2 – Hugh McGraw Proclamation.

County Attorney Julie Cain read and presented the Hugh McGraw Proclamation to Randy Rooks and Ellis Golden. Mr. McGraw was a very dedicated leader in Sacred Harp Shape Note singing and music writing. Commissioner Bennett motioned to approve the Hugh McGraw Proclamation. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Girl Scout Proclamation

Chairman Poole read and presented the Proclamation to Girl Scout Troop # 10431. This troop sold the most Girl Scout cookies of any troop in the state. Chairman Poole motioned to approve the Proclamation to the Girl Scouts. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item #4 – Law Enforcement Officer Proclamation

Attorney Julie Cain read the Proclamation. Commissioner Robinson stated that this Proclamation had been presented at a Veterans Dinner to the other law enforcement agencies in Haralson County. He stated that the Marshal, Gary Folsom, had been left out. Commissioner Robinson apologized to the Marshal and presented him with his Proclamation. Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve the Law Enforcement Officer Proclamation. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation on Agenda Items

None

Item #5 – Title VI Resolution

Attorney Julie Cain explained that the Title VI Resolution was required by the State of Georgia Department of Transportation to verify that Haralson County was in compliance with non-discrimination practices in regards to the county transit department. Commissioner Bennett

motioned to approve the Title VI Policy and Resolution. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Item #6 – Jail Project Manager Contract

Eric Johnson, Comprehensive Program Services, gave an overview of the Project Managers responsibilities and how the project will work. He stated that the goal is to have a minimum of 25% local participation for the vendors used. Commissioner Bennett motioned to approve Eric Johnson and CPS as the Jail Project manager. Commissioner Smith seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Public Participation on Non Agenda Items

David Tarpley spoke on two items. First, he stated that the county was not in compliance with ACGA codes regarding the marking of some of the county vehicles. He stated that they require decals. Second, he stated that he felt like the county had violated the “Sunshine Law” by going into executive session regarding the Inmate IGA between the county and the cities. He went on to give his opinion regarding this item.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Dobbs seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Submitted by Helen Wilson

Commission Staff Member